THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Saturday, the 27th November 1948.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at eleven of the clock, Mr. President (THE HON. SRI R. B. RAMAKRISHNA RAJU) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Government offices shifted to the mufassal.

* 153 *Q.*—SRI S. B. ADITYAN: Will the Hon. the Premier be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any of the Government offices which were shifted to places outside Madras in 1942 are still outside Madras;

(*b*) if so (i) which offices, (ii) their present places of location, (iii) the reasons for keeping them still away from the City; and

(*c*) whether the Principal of the Police Training School, Vellore, had recommended that the Finger Print Bureau should be shifted back to Madras for the better working of the Bureau?

THE HON. DR. T. S. S. RAJAN (on behalf of the Hon. the Premier):—" (*a*) Yes.

" (*b*) The information is given below:—

(1)	(2)	(3)
(1) Office of the Superintendent of Stationery.	Guindy ..	Its original abode at First Line Beach is now under the occupation of the Civil Supplies Department. The Collector of Madras is examining the question of getting back the Stationery Office to its old premises.
(2) Madras Record Office.	Chittoor ..	Due to the non-availability of suitable accommodation for offices now located in the Madras Record Office buildings at Egmore, the Collector of Madras has been asked to take vigorous steps to see that accommodation is secured for the offices now occupying the Madras Record Office buildings in Egmore so that the Madras Record Office may be brought back to Madras as soon as practicable.
(3) Serum Institute of Animal Husbandry Department.	Ranipet, North Arcot district.	This was originally shifted to Coimbatore during the evacuation of the City in 1942. Since then it has been shifted permanently to Ranipet, North Arcot district, when the Meat Dehydration Factory became available. There were no permanent buildings for the Serum Institute at Madras and therefore when the Meat Dehydration Factory became available it was purchased from the Government of India.